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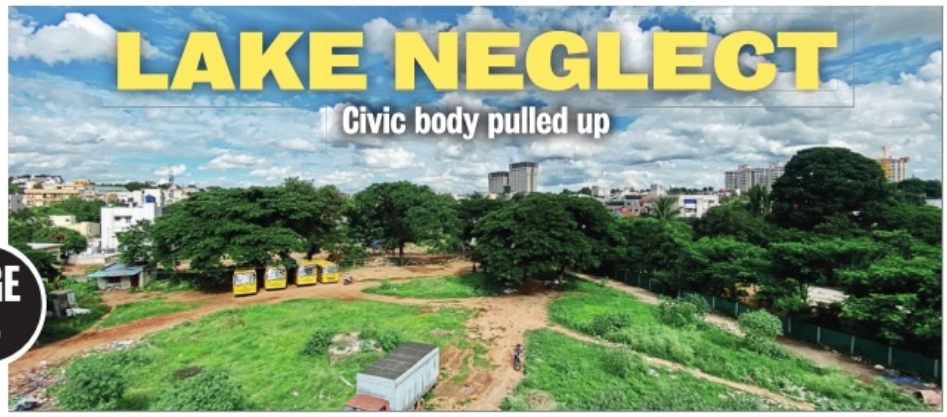

BBMP-run govt school building in Austin Town may collapse any minute; teachers shifted 300-odd students out of crumbling structure

CLASS STRUGGLE

Corporation Girls' High School building was constructed in 1978

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Around 300 students at the BBMP-run school in Austin Town were shifted to a new building at the behest of teachers concerned about students' safety. The teachers were left in the lurch due to a shortage of space, as they continued using the old school building with their lives hanging in the balance.

For the past three years or so, the Corporation Girls High School in Austin Town, constructed in 1978, urgently needed repair. Now, in the current state, only demolition would be possible. The school building might come crashing down any minute thanks to civic apathy.

But the school authorities including the teachers and principal were forced to use the premises due to a shortage of space. The 27 teachers were compelled to find a roof under the building on the verge of collapse risking student safety.

A new building constructed in 1998 right next to the old building has 12 rooms with one temporary staff room. According to school authorities, there is not sufficient space for all teachers there. Currently, eight teachers use the temporary staff room.

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"We have received permission for construction of a new building... Around Rs 7-8 crore has been earmarked

— Munishamappa, assistant education officer, BBMP (east zone)

Still awaiting rescue, relief

'Homes of 3,500 families in Kariyammana Agrahara are flooded for about a week now. Help yet to arrive'

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Residents of Kariyammana Agrahara, a migrant community settlement located in Bellandur area, are living their worst nightmares.

As hundreds of houses in the settlement remain flooded with water level four feet high, the inhabitants have no food to eat or dry clothes to keep them warm.

Residents alleged while the situation unfolded around five days ago, no help has reached them from authorities concerned.

Meanwhile, a city based non-profit that works with migrant communities has been lending a helping hand to the residents, but they have not been able to alert the BBMP about the perilous situation.

"While everyone is speaking about the bad state of apartment complexes and office spaces, the plight of this community here has not been highlighted. There are around 3,500 families in Kariyammana Agrahara; all the homes are flooded. We are trying to reach out to the BBMP, but they are busy attending to posh apartment complexes and main roads. Nobody is responding to our calls," said a representative of the NGO.

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 All play, no work

For generations "nature play" was a routine part of growing up. But childhood has changed dramatically over the past 30 years, and kids' experience of nature is part of that change. Green Panther provides the time, tools, and opportunities that children need to explore natural spaces. Junior explorer is a parent & child session curated for 2-5-yr-olds to begin their journey on nature learning.
Venue: Bangalore Creative Circus, Yeswanthpur Industrial Suburb; When: Sep 11, 10.30 AM – 12.30 PM; Registration: 9727582092/ 8861710559

02 Tickle your funny bones

Indian Institute of Cartoonists is organising an exhibition of cartoons by award winning Italian cartoonist Marco De Angelis. Marco was born in Rome (Italy) in 1955. He is a cartoonist, illustrator, professional journalist, graphic designer. His cartoons have been published in over 200 newspapers and magazines in Italy and abroad since 1975. He was also the Editor (Italy) of the American magazine WittyWorld and he is one of three creators and editor in chief of the online humour magazine "Buduàr".
Venue: Indian Cartoon Gallery, Midford Garden When: Till Sep 24, 10 AM to 6 PM (Sundays closed)

03 Checkmate, peeps!

Bangalore Chess Club is an open chess community to join and be a part of! Come, play on the board chess with everyone, banter, trash talk and have fun! Bring your chess sets along.
Where: Lahe Lahe; When: Sep 11, 10am-1 pm Tickets: 9886294444

Remembering KK

What are the names of the two studio albums of KK?

Send us your answers on WhatsApp to this number: 9591233247. Winners will get free passes for the 'Sing for KK' concert in memory of the singer featuring Kunal Ganjawala and Zubeen Garg.

Cavities in Karnataka's dental health system

Number of dentists only 21 per cent of total healthcare population in state; less than WHO's recommended statistic

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A health vision document by the Karnataka government has found that dentists form only 21 per cent of healthcare workers in Karnataka and the dentist density for one lack population is only 3.8 in the state which is low compared to World Health Organisation's recommendation of 1:75,000.

The document, Global Burden of Disease Study 2019, goes on to show that the number of dentists registered in Karnataka is also low with 41,601 registered with the Karnataka State Dental Council of which, 374 serve in government agencies. Out of 245 dental health officer posts sanctioned by state government, only 183 were reported to be filled.

It adds that prevalence of oral disorders is 46.6 per cent in India and there is lack of awareness and real-time data which estimates the absence of oral health care in primary healthcare centres. Those in the 35-75 age group often neglect their oral health.

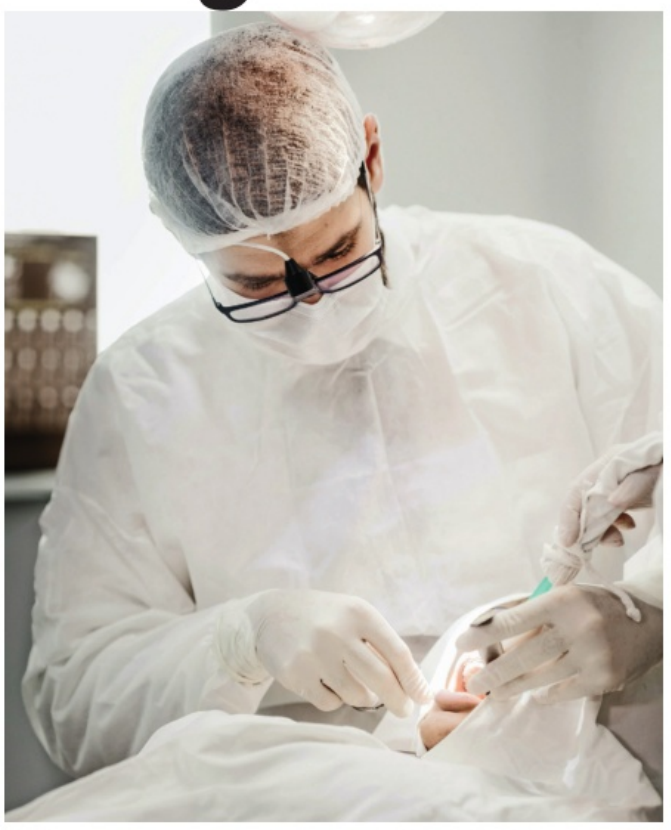
The data regarding oral health in Karnataka has revealed that in comparison to the five-year-old, 12-year-old, and 15-year-old age group, a higher percentage of dental cases are seen between the 35-44 age group with 63.3 per cent and 65-74 age group with 81.1 per cent. Five-year-olds constituted for 40.5 per cent, followed by 12 years with 22.3 per cent and 15-year-old with 33.1 per cent.

Under the periodontal disease categories, 94.3 per cent of 35-44 age group were suffering from it and 77.2 per cent among those in the 65-74 age bracket. Periodontitis is a gum infection that damages gums and can destroy the jawbone, it is due to poor oral hygiene and can lead to tooth loss.

Dr Sharon Colaco Dias, HOD & Consultant - Dental Medicine, Manipal Hospital, Old Airport Road said, "Often people in the age group of 35-44 are very busy and people tend to ignore it until it becomes too severe. Smoking, chewable tobacco, diabetes increases the risk of gum disease. It can cause difficulty in eating, sleeping, speaking and in advanced stages gum boils (abscesses) which may need to have the tooth extracted. They can lead to serious health conditions involving the heart & brain and in rare instances may be fatal."

Dr Sharon added that the elderly is more likely to develop periodontitis.

A lack of dental awareness is often the cause. Dr Saakshi Hinduja, Consultant Aesthetic Dentistry, Aster CMI Hospital said, "Brushing should be done twice a day, especially at night. Rinse your mouth after every meal. We must avoid in-between snacking. Using dental floss and tongue cleaners is a must. Regular check-ups every six months is very essential."



Karnataka has only 41,601 dentists registered with Karnataka State Dental Council

> **"People in age group of 35-44 often neglect dental issues until it becomes too severe**
> – Dr Sharon Colaco Dias, Manipal Hospital, Old Airport Road

There should be increased awareness at school and college levels. Awareness in obstetric/ paediatric departments in hospitals and dental awareness talks in offices. Dental camps in government schools & villages should be carried out, said Dr Sharon.

The vision group subcommittee recommended developing state level health policies, integration of oral health centres in PHCs and improve oral health knowledge and awareness among citizens.

He's a whiz on wheels

Twelve-year-old Shreyash Hareesh first from Bengaluru to compete in finals of FIM MiniGP World Series being held at Spain

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Shreyash Hareesh is all of twelve, but has his eyes firmly set on winning the prize for biking at the world mini-grand prix. The Grade six student and a resident of Sahakarnagar has qualified for the finals of the FIM MiniGP World Series scheduled to be held in November at Valencia, Spain.

Recently, he finished first in the FIM MiniGP World Series India 2022. Shreyas will now compete with winners of respective National series held in 15 countries. As a result of his remarkable comeback, he won four out of five races in the following five weeks, including Round Four, where he scored a double. Shreyas finished with 220 points to finish at the top of the points table.

Father Hareesh Parandhaman, a biotechnologist working on anti-cancer drugs said that it started with cycling. "When we took him to ride these kids' bikes at a regulated environment in a private farm, I was surprised to see the way Shreyas rode this bike. After continuous training, I realised he had great potential in riding and hence, I quit my job to help Shreyas."

Shreyas would regularly visit Cubbon Park to hone my skills. "I could easily ride a Kawasaki KLX110, a well-built, track racing training bike. At 9, I started competing at local events and competed in my first race held at the Adichunchanagiri Mutt in Hassan where I came first a few years ago." Shreyas is a holder of a racing license issued by the Federation of Motor Sports Club in India FMSCI. But education has never taken a backseat. His mother Sandhya Jayanthi Subbarayappasetty, a teacher, added that his school was very supportive. "When Shreyas is busy practicing, lessons are sent on WhatsApp. When he is at home after his practice or race sessions, he is trained by a private tutor."

Shreyash Hareesh is busy prepping for the finals at Spain

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Authorities pulled up for neglect of Ittamadu Lake

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The premises of Ittamadu Lake have been completely encroached by private entities who are building schools and other establishments

Karnataka Lokayukta has issued notices to BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath, others

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With the concerned authorities turning a blind eye towards brazen encroachment of Ittamadu Lake, Karnataka Lokayukta has ordered an issue of notice to them for not taking suitable measures for protecting it. According to a document from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) by Sai Datta, a social activist, the lake spreads over 10 acres and 23 guntas and has been completely encroached by private entities for constructing a building, temple, and schools. The Lokayukta issued notices to BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath, Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore Urban, Commissioner of Survey Settlement and Land Records, Tahsildar of Bengaluru South, and the BBMP Chief Engineer (Lakes). The Lokayukta has asked the Additional Registrar of Enquiries to connect the complaint copy of the social activist to lakes in Bengaluru Urban.

Welcoming their decision to issue notices and take up the complaint for investigation under the Section 9 of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, Sai Datta opined that the Lokayukta has to take up suo motu cases on the encroachment of lakes in the city. "I want the Karnataka Lokayukta to investigate encroachment of not only Ittamadu Lake but also other lakes," said Datta, who lodged a complaint with them on June 22 seeking action against the officials for failing to discharge their duties. Bangalore Mirror reported on the alarming condition of the lake on July 2, 2022.

Friends of Lakes co-founder V Ramprasad also welcomed the issuing of notices. He said that no lake premises should be encroached and rejuvenation should not be for recreational purposes but for flood mitigation.

"The functionality and purpose of lake rejuvenation should include flood mitigation, which was among the primary purposes when the lake was originally built. The on-going rejuvenation process, coupled with only recreation and beautification, no checks on encroaching, and no desilting to bring back the lake's original water holding capacity which could buffer the flooding, is a problem. The original sluice gates, some of which are 1,000 years old and let out surplus water in a controlled manner, have been destroyed," he said.

He further said that there is no provision for sluice gates in the present detailed project reports (DPRs), and the DPRs of Malatahalli and Srigandhada Kaval lakes are a few examples.

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Petition to Lokayukta seeks action against officials responsible for encroachment of an entire waterbody now classified as disused
LOOKALAKE!
10 acres and 23 guntas of Ittamadu Lake land encroached

BM's report on July 2, 2022 spoke about the BBMP turning a blind eye to encroachments in the lake's premises

Stink op: Pollution Board gets notice

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Following Bangalore Mirror's special report on pollution caused by a Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) plant located near Chikkanagamangala and residents staging a protest against it, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has now issued a notice to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB). According to the sources from KSPCB, a notice has been served to the board's member secretary. The protest was held a couple of weeks ago by residents of Chikkanagamangala, Doddanagamangala, and other villages within a four-kilometre radius of the plant. The residents alleged that the waste generated from the plant was being dumped in the open and generating an unbearable stench. "The board has received a notice after an article on this issue appeared in BM a few days ago," said a source from KSPCB.

The NGT has issued a notice to the KSPCB for its Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) plant that is located near Chikkanagamangala

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Nightmare sewage plant chokes nearby residents

BM's report on August 18, 2022 spoke about people living near the plant suffering due to stench and pollution

The plant has received permission and necessary approval from the KSPCB under the Air and Water Act. Established in 2015, the MSW processing plant is presently receiving and processing around 300 tonnes of waste every day.

The tribunal also issued a notice to the BBMP and sought clarification on the issue. Officials clarified that a work order to construct a leachate plant inside the MSW plant premise has been issued to process 50 KLD of leachate. The construction will reportedly be completed within six months. Officials said once this plant is operational, the existing accidental spillage of leachate in transportation will be eliminated.

"The leachate processing plant will be in compliance with the SWM rules. Moreover, the Palike has also constructed closed sheds in around five acres of land with concrete beds to prevent any leakage and percolation of the waste into the groundwater table. To prevent any accidental leakage of harmful waste into the groundwater or nearby surface waterbody, the runoff water is regularly pumped out," said a BBMP official.

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According to the Palike, a grievance redressal meeting was recently organised to understand the issues faced by those living around the plant. "Most grievances were with respect to village development, which is outside the Palike's scope. However, a fund of Rs 3 crore would be released as a conciliatory gesture for development work in a phased manner around the plant," the official added.

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Business woes
SKR Market

Shop owners are suffering after rains in SKR Market.

Blocked pavement
HBR Layout

The footpath on 6th main, 1 Stage, 2nd Block, HBR Layout is blocked.

PSI scam: Audio clip in focus

Clip indicates BJP MLA got Rs 15 lakh from father of PSI candidate

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Tuesday said agencies probing into the PSI (police sub-inspector) recruitment scam may also investigate into the audio-clips purportedly showing a BJP MLA receiving Rs 15 lakh to help an aspirant get the job of a police sub-inspector.

In the purported conversation, a person named Parasappa, who claims to be the father of a PSI candidate, requests Kanakagiri BJP legislator Basavaraj Durugappa Dadesugur to return Rs 15 lakh that was given to him to get the job for his son.

In the audio-clipping, a voice, said to be that of Dadesugur, replies he was in Bengaluru, and has given the money to the 'government' and it would take some time to get it back.

"Whoever or whatever it is, the investigation is on, we have already filed the chargesheets," said Bommai.

The CID is investigating into the scam, which involves the alleged fraud in recruiting 543 PSIs in the state.

Reacting to the audio-clip, Dadesugur said that he was approached with a request to resolve some litigation between two parties.

On whether it was his voice in the conversation, the MLA said, "I had spoken regarding resolving issues between two parties, other than that I am not aware of anything on the money, and questions regarding it should be asked to the parties who have recorded and released the audio."

State Congress president D K Shivakumar demanded a judicial probe into the matter.

— PTI

Early birds don't get metro

Metro-users want services to begin at five or six on Sunday mornings to save commute time

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People say that ticket counters don't function right away when the metro opens on Sundays

Commuters in the city say that they want metros to start operating from five am on Sundays as it would facilitate easier travel for them. They also said that huge crowds wait in front of metro gates on Sundays before operations start for the day.

Many intra-city as well as inter-city passengers arriving by train or bus in the early hours reportedly wait for hours in front of the stations.

Rohit Kumar, a commuter, said, "I was traveling from Kengeri and deboarded at KSR-SBC Railway Station at six in the morning. Upon reaching, I saw that metro operation starts from seven am on Sunday. I had to wait there for hours.

Initially, there was a small number of people. However, with time, more people came, and we all had to wait for quite a long time before the operations began. It will be very helpful if metro operations begin from five am on Sundays."

People also say that at seven in the morning, when the metro station opens, all the ticket counters do not start functioning immediately, which is why they have to wait in long queues for getting their tickets, which further adds to their travel time.

> **"I am working as a part of the weekend team at my job and need the metro on Sundays** – Commuter

Rishika Jain, another commuter, said, "I am working as a part of the weekend team at my job, which means I have work on Sundays. Since my office is quite far from my home, I need to start early. However, metro operations start at seven am. I get late while going to the office and am forced to book online cabs or autos which are very expensive. The authorities should start metro operations from at least six am as it would be convenient for us commuters."

Starting metro operations in the wee hours of Sunday, many say, will not just boost public transportation, but also save the environment as the usage of private transport will be reduced.

Chetan Gowda, also a commuter, told BM that there have been many times where he reached the Yeshwantpur Railway Station early on a Sunday morning only to wait for them to start operating.

Yashwant Chavan, BMRCL PRO, said, "In the morning we need some maintenance time, but we will see the reaction of people and then do something about it."

1,141 burial grounds encroached upon, HC told

The government on Tuesday submitted before the High Court of Karnataka that 1,141 burial grounds have been encroached upon.

Of these, 282 encroachments have been removed and 859 encroachments are yet to be cleared.

A Division Bench of Justice B Veerappa and Justice K S Hamsakala was hearing a civil contempt petition filed by a resident of Bengaluru.

The contempt plea alleged the state had failed to follow an order of the High Court issued in 2019 to provide graveyards in all villages of the state in six weeks.

The court on August 16 said encroachments should be removed and villages without graveyards be provided with one by three weeks.

The compliance report of the Revenue Department was submitted to the court today.

A total of 23,815 burial grounds have been handed over to local authorities. Another 3,765 have to be handed over, the report says.

The process of identifying, purchasing, reserving and granting land for burial grounds in 516 places is underway, according to the compliance report.

The report says 92 per cent of the villages have been provided with burial grounds.

— PTI

Students make pitch for bus pass

With the public transport corporation asking students to get new bus passes soon, the latter have demanded for its extension as exams are set to be scheduled in the months of September and October.

Recently, the Karnataka State Transport Road Corporation issued a press note about students being allowed to travel free of cost with the bus pass issued for the year 2021-2022 along with the extended fee receipt until September 30. They pointed out that the students should obtain the bus pass before that.

Even the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) allowed for an extension for final year students and others with pending exams.

Students raised slogans demanding that the bus pass validity be extended without them having to pay an extra fee for it.

Mahantesh, State Secretariat member of All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO), said, "KSRTC has issued a circular that they have extended the bus pass till the month of September. Along with it, they have also said that the students should get a new pass as soon as possible. The question arises whether the students should prepare and appear for exams or travel to sort out the pass issue. BMTC has not even sent circulars on extending the pass period."

With many exams scheduled for September and October, students want extensions for bus passes

He said that the government should take full responsibility to solve the problem urgently, and that validity of passes should be extended until the exams are over.

"Students must be allowed to travel with their existing pass. Along with this, BMTC and other district transportation should also issue a circular regarding the extension of pass at no extra charge immediately," he added.

Another State Secretariat member, Hayyalappa, said that it would be unfair if the government imposes the burden of additional fees on students who are already in financial difficulty.

"It is not right to victimise the students because of the situation of unfinished exams due to many reasons. So, until the exams for degree, diploma, engineering, and university students are over, all students should be allowed to travel for free using their existing passes," he said.

— BMB

Rain report: Helpful volunteers swing into action to rescue flood-struck, as some areas still under water

Good samaritans get going

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When the going got tough, volunteers of Namma Teams got going. The volunteers were a blessing for rain-affected people as hundreds got into action and have been reaching people in need in the waterlogged areas.

Namma Teams was formed to help families affected with coronavirus during the lockdown. Their helpline 9611589595 was helpful for hundreds.

"We began working before the Ganesha festival when it was raining heavily. Later there was a lull for two days. Again we began working from Sunday rescuing people marooned in rain-affected areas," said Namma Team coordinator (field operations) Bheem Rajesh.

The volunteers are divided into eight groups to participate in rescue operations in eight zones of the BBMP. "There are no rain-related issues in Bengaluru West and Yelahanka. More than 70 volunteers are ready to help people in Yelahanka zone but our helpline has not received a single phone call from Yelahanka Zone," said Namma Team Zonal Coordinator N Chandan Gowda.

According to Gowda, more than 130 volunteers have been busy in rescue operations in Mahadevapura Zone. "More than 130 volunteers are helping out in the Bommanahalli Zone," he said.

The volunteers said they receive hundreds of phone calls for rescue from rain-affected areas, especially from apartment complexes. "We have rescued around 2,000 people from Countryside Layout and adjoining areas on Monday. Today we rescued 600 people in Mahadevapura Zone," said Rajesh Bheem.

The volunteers have also supplied medicines, vegetables and food items for those who want to stay at their homes. "We give importance to rescue people from rain-affected areas. However, some people do not want to leave their homes. We try to convince them to leave for safer places. If they want to stay on, we help them with their requirements," he said.

RAIN HIT

- **5,092** people are taking shelter at care centres in the last five days in 17 districts
- Agriculture crops on **14,717** hectares and horticulture crops on **1,374** hectares are damaged
- **430** houses severely damaged; **2,188** houses partially damaged
- **255 km** of roads, bridges, culverts were damaged

"I thank all those who helped us to reach safer places. I could not come out of my house since our layout was inundated

The volunteers also reached rain-affected people whose huts were inundated near Munnekolala near Marathahalli on Tuesday afternoon.

Residents of Countryside Layout expressed gratitude to the volunteers, BBMP and Fire and Emergency Services for rescuing them. "I thank all those who helped us to reach safer places. I could not come out of my house since our layout was inundated," said Sunil Srivastav, a resident. Countryside Layout Welfare Association president Pendela Sampath Kumar said 36 families have vacated from the layout due to waterlogging. "We were confined to our homes due to heavy downpour on Sunday night. We were evacuated from our marooned layout with rainwater by Monday afternoon," said Sampath Kumar.

Poornima Shetty of Namma Teams said that Bengalureans too can do more to prevent such situations, by being responsible towards our surroundings.

"Citizens need to be careful while purchasing properties, authorities more efficient in their civic duties, the government should ensure implementation, and regulation of land usage and the law should take action towards encroachers of lakes and storm water drains," said Shetty. She said that it would be great if a proper contingency plan was in place to tackle situations during emergencies. "Our team is doing a great job with their heart and soul," she said.

Help for Munnekolala

Bangalore Mirror had written about a slum in Munnekolala that was badly hit. On Tuesday, many good samaritans reached out to them to provide food kits.

Venkatraman Iyer founder of Swabhimaan, started supplying food kits in this region a week ago, when there were sporadic rains. He has continued to provide the kits. Iyer, who is located in Koramangla, goes all the way to Munnekolala to provide food kits. Due to the floods, it takes him 2-3 hours to just get there.

"So far we have given out 6,000-7,000 kits in Munnekolala and even in Harlur slum area. The situation is terrible here, we cannot give them items like groceries or utensils, as it is still raining. Many are not even going to work as they do not have clothes," said Iyer.

Simran Oberoi, Founder of OMBC (health baking social impact group), a resident of Old Airport Road said, "We have been sending biscuits, breads, milk and snacks."

Mohammed Ibrahim Akram of Beijing Bites also provided 1,500 food kits to people. – Iffath Fathima

FLOOD GATES

23-year-old electrocuted

A 23-year-old woman was electrocuted when she tried to hold a electricity pole as she was about to fall from her scooter, in Siddapura on Monday night. The deceased Akhila was working as an admin executive with a private firm and was returning from the office around 9.30 pm on her scooter. Near her home, the water was knee deep and her vehicle switched off. She was about to fall so she is said to have tried to hold on to the pole. Though she was shifted to a hospital, she did not respond to treatment. The girl's mother said, "I called my daughter to come home earlier. When I called her the next time, her phone was switched off. My daughter was the only earning member of my family. She used to take care of her physically disabled brother. Now, I don't know how we will run our family. I was told that my daughter was begging for help and no one helped her."

Walk on water

With the Bellandur lake overflowing, residents staying downstream are facing issues as many localities continue to be waterlogged. It was difficult to even walk on the water-logged roads. Many were seen removing their sandals and trying to treading cautiously. Even traffic was crawling on Outer Ring Road's Marathahalli-Silk Board stretch.

In the car for 3 hours

A Salem resident, who was returning from the airport in a Mercedes Benz, was stuck at Ecospace. He told reporters he was heading towards the Central Silk Board and was unaware of the water logging near Ecospace. "I have been sitting in the car for the last three years without any help as my car is half submerged in water. I called up the showroom and the executives told me that more than 12 cars are stuck at different places," he said.

Backwaters

A resident of Divyashree Apartment near Yamalur said the apartment complex is next to Rajakaluve, which used to be 60-feet wide. "However, this Rajakaluve was narrowed down when the apartment complex was constructed. As a result, it creates backwaters and areas like Balaji Nagar and Vinayaka Nagar getting submerged. Now, the encroachment is being removed," she said.

Excavator service

Several office goers were forced to use excavators to get around as the gushing water was so powerful that no other vehicle could move through on Bellandur road.

WFH mode

India's best-known IT firms have asked staff to work from home as torrential rains brought chaos in the tech corridor. Operations in IT firms and start-ups were largely unaffected as most had power backup and a hybrid work environment. "Due to heavy rain in Bengaluru, Wipro has advised its employees to work from home today. Business Continuity Plans have been invoked and there has been no disruption to business," Wipro said in a communiqué.

NDRF team deployed

A team of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has been deployed to rescue people from an inundated residential society. "We have deployed two NDRF teams. SDRF, a Fire service, is also carrying out rescue operations. BBMP is also using tractors to evacuate people," said J Senthil Kumar, Asst Commandant, Bengaluru.

69 tanks overflowing

Analysing the flash flood situation in Bengaluru, Chief Minister Bommai said, "Basically the issue lies in two zones, particularly the Mahadevapura zone for reasons such as presence of 69 tanks in that small area and almost all of them have either breached or are overflowing. Secondly, all establishments are in low lying areas, and the third is encroachments." The Chief Minister also faulted the 'maladministration' of the previous Congress governments for the present situation of the city.

Expensive tractor rides

Tractors are the most preferred mode for transportation in flooded areas of Bengaluru. Meena Girisaballa, founder-CEO of Purple Front Technologies said, "We live in villas which are now flooded. The water from the channels is flooding the villas. The tractors are not allowed inside the premises by BBMP. So, we have to come out and hire private tractors which are quite expensive," she said. "Things are bad. Please take care," Gaurav Munjal, founder of the Softbank-backed education technology firm Unacademy said on Twitter after he, his family, and his dog were rescued by a tractor.

Hands off playground, BBMP!

Cauvery Playground at Vijinapura can no longer have events other than sports activities following petition by three residents of area

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The sprawling playground is the only one in Vijinapura ward which has a large population

Until recently, the Cauvery Playground at Vijinapura near Ramamurthy Nagar was a favourite destination for politicians to organise birthday functions or saree or groceries distribution. It was also an economically viable location for business establishments to organise events to promote sales of their products.

But not anymore.

The brazen misuse of the playground compelled three residents to approach the court seeking a direction to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to not allocate the playground for any events other than sports activities.

"It is the one and only playground in Vijinapura ward that has a population of 70,000. It is an important place for children to play football or take part in sports activities. I was fed up with politicians organising functions on a regular basis preventing children from using the playground. It made me approach the court seeking a direction to the authorities concerned," said Jagan Kumar J, a resident of Vijinapura.

According to a document availed under the Right to Information (RTI) Act, the BBMP authorities gave permission to an individual Babu Arokya Das for celebrating his grandson's birthday from August 18 to 25, 2019. The BBMP authorities also allowed Sri Sri Bharathi Crafts Mela to display their stalls for 20 days from November 23 to December 13, 2018.

> **"I was fed up with politicians organising functions preventing children from playing**
>
> –Jagan Kumar J, one of the petitioners

Jagan Kumar, along with the two others: Nanda SK and Rajkumar S, filed a petition in the court, making the BBMP Chief Commissioner, Joint Commissioner of BBMP East, BBMP Assistant Revenue Officer, Horamavu Sub-Division, and BBMP Assistant Executive Engineer, Horamavu Sub-Division as defendants in 2019.

The City Civil and Sessions Judge issued an injunction order on July 15, 2022, restraining the defendants from utilising the playground for any other purpose other than that of a playground. The judge has also directed the defendants from permitting private functions or any other commercial functions on the playground.

"However, since the defendants being statutory authority/ BBMP have remained absent after matter was posted for issues, it was directed to the plaintiffs to furnish a certified copy of present judgment and decree to the defendants Head Office (Office of the defendant No. 1) and also to the Sub Divisional Office (Office of the defendant No 3) under proper acknowledgement and only after such service, the defendants will be bound by present permanent injunction," the judge said in the order.

Welcoming the court judgement, Rajkumar S, said that Vijinapura and surrounding areas has become a concrete jungle. "This is the only playground for children in the area."

Nanda wanted the BBMP authorities to develop the playground for the benefit of children. "As of now, most of the children are addicted to mobile phones. It is the time to divert their attention by facilitating amenities for sports activities. I want the BBMP to fix the fence problem and water logging issue," said Nanda.

Green signal for nasal covid vaccine

The Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has rendered an emergency use authorisation (EUA) to Bharat Biotech for the intranasal vaccine iNCOVACC, officials said on Tuesday.

Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya approved the vaccine for primary immunisation of those above 18 years.

The intranasal vaccine for covid-19 by Bharat Biotech is the first of its kind needle-free vaccine.

"Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL) announced that intranasal covid vaccine (BBV154), has received approval under 'Restricted Use in Emergency Situation' for ages 18 and above," read a statement from Bharat Biotech.

This vaccine candidate was evaluated in Phase I, II and III clinical trials with successful results.

The vaccine will be manufactured by Bharat Biotech & will be available for adults

This vaccine has been specifically formulated to allow intranasal delivery through nasal drops. The nasal delivery system has been designed and developed to be cost-effective in low and middle-income countries. The chairman of Bharat Biotech, Dr Krishna Ella, said that the intra-nasal vaccine would be a global game changer.

The intranasal vaccine is a heterologous booster dose. The vaccine development data will be submitted to peer-reviewed journals.

The iNCOVACC is stable at 2-8°C for easy storage and distribution. Bharat Biotech has established large manufacturing capabilities at multiple sites across India with operations pan India.

According to Dr NK Arora, Chairperson Covid-19 working group, the vaccine will be available for both primary and booster doses with completion of all regulatory requirements.

Palike passes the buck over illegal construction

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The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) is facing flak from the residents of Malleshwaram for dragging its feet regarding action against construction of an illegal building in the area.

Locals alleged that while this issue of violation in the plan sanction was brought to the notice of the BBMP authorities around six months ago, no substantial action has been taken by the civic authority.

"The building is being illegally constructed as per the documents we have acquired from the municipal body. The violation is acknowledged by the owner as well as the builder in the registered rectification deed. As per the sanctioned plan, they have built two illegal floors above the third floor," said a resident of the area.

Locals say the illegal construction is affecting all the neighbours as it has restricted air and light access to many.

"There are neighbouring houses which are built just on the ground floor. There are around five apartments surrounding the building under construction," said another resident.

Locals alleged that while they have raised multiple complaints, the civic body has taken limited action so far.

"We have been running from pillar to post for over six months now and have reached out to all the higher officials. The officials have indicated some political pressure that is not letting them take action," said another resident of the area.

When BM reached out to the BBMP official, the official said that Palike has not been able to initiate any action due to a stay order by the Karnataka High Court. However, residents alleged that the officials are not reading the order in its entirety.

"The civic body is considering only a part of the order to escape the legal proceedings. The order clearly states that if the BBMP has followed the procedure, they need not be restrained from further action. Palike has issued two notices in April as per the procedure and thus the court order is not prohibiting them from going ahead with the further legal process," added a resident.

> **Officials said there is political pressure that is preventing them from taking action**
>
> –a resident

Interestingly, the BBMP issued notices under Section 313 of the BBMP Act 2020, which stated that the construction is in violation of the plan sanction.

"This was just an eyewash from the officials. The notices state that the violator has to produce all the relevant documents within seven days. However, no action has been taken post that. No court will pass an order which will allow illegal activity. The stay order is only against physical interference. The officials should go ahead with further notices for the demolition of the illegal structure," rued another resident.

The construction has restricted light & air for neighbouring homes

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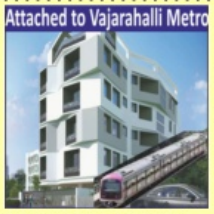

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No man's island

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The locality is cut off from the main road. Many residents have taken refuge on higher ground. They said their weekly supplies have been impacted and they have been forced to abandon their houses in search of food for children and elders of the families. The locality has migrant communities from various regions, such as northern parts of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar and Odisha. The majority of the individuals earn a living as daily wagers, house helps and security guards.

Mukesh Kumar, a resident, said the situation has gone from bad to worse after the downpour on Monday.

"I have abandoned my house and got out of the area somehow. I have taken refuge in an acquaintance's place. This is the second time the locality flooded in the last ten days. We have been trying to reach out to the authorities relentlessly; no one is responding to our calls," said Kumar.

With homes inundated for almost a week now, many have not been able to work and thus have lost their jobs.

"Our houses have been flooded for the past five days; but the rain on Sunday and Monday nights turned the situation into a nightmare. There is no place to go to, no food to eat, and no dry clothes to keep us warm. I work as a house help but have not been to work in over a week. I will have to look for another job," said Rekha.

Around 200 people are living in the parking area of a nearby building; there is no food available. Moreover, the fear of water-borne diseases is weighing on their minds. "All our belongings were washed away. We got some dry space to rest in the parking space; many are still living in inundated houses," said another resident of Kariyammana Agrahara.

All 24 public varsities get Infy boost

To better prepare students for their professional life, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was linked on Tuesday between Karnataka State Higher Education Council (SHEC), Visvesvaraiah Technical University, all the public universities of the state and IT pioneer Infosys.

The MoU was signed in presence of Higher Education Minister, C.N. Ashwath Narayan at Vidhana Soudha.

Gopala Krishna Joshi, Executive Director, SHECA and Tirumala Aarohi of Infosys exchanged the MoU.

All the Vice Chancellors of 24 Public Universities including Bengaluru, Mangaluru, Mysore who were present also later involved in exchange the copies of MoU.

Speaking on the occasion, Narayan said: "The Infosys Springboard platform developed by using modern technology has 12,300 courses to offer at free of cost.

These can be used by students starting from class 6 up to those who are pursuing Ph.D and can be learnt online. In addition, this will also provide the eminence of more than 800 educational experts to the students and faculty of the Higher Education and also to the faculty".

For this purpose, Infosys has spent Rs 100 crore he stated and lauded the company for the same.

The courses on the Springboard will help Universities to update their syllabus.

This also enables to import better teaching techniques to the faculty, the Minister opined.

Further, he emphasised that Colleges and Universities should include the experts involved in developing the Springboard platform in their board of studies.

The platform will enable to teach emerging and digital skills for students. This allows to conduct virtual classes and also to evaluate students online, Narayan explained.

Tirumala Aarohi, Head, Education and Training, Infosys, said: "Relevant training will be given to the faculty by knowing the needs through the Springboard. He added that an annual plan will be developed for this purpose. This will help to prepare our faculty as per global standards."

The platform which focuses on students between 10 to 22 years has set a goal to teach digital and life skills for 1 crore students by 2025.

At present 23 lakh students have been using the platform which is being available in other Indian languages also, he told.

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Education infra on brink too

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Fungi and moss have covered every inch of the building. Even in the absence of rain, the walls remain damp. Ceilings of some rooms have bits and pieces falling off. A damp smell engulfs the entire area, posing a health hazard to staff and students.

"I have been asking officials to repair the building for the past three years. The school has been in this state of neglect for many years now. If the building collapses, the government will have to pay compensation of at least Rs 1 crore per student; they could just construct a new building instead," said a school employee on the condition of anonymity.

When it rains, the principal's office fills up with around 3 feet of water; the walls soak up the water too. Due to constant rains now, the electricity line in the office has been disrupted. School authorities said, to use the switch, they have to use dry paper as a safety insulation or risk electric shock. Everything in the office needs to be covered up to prevent water seepage during rains. They also added that if the ceiling fan is switched on, small particles start disintegrating and falling from the ceiling.

Due to water seepage, photos of national icons Dr BR Ambedkar, Mahatma Gandhi and Dr Radhakrishnan previously placed on the walls had to be removed.

"If this was a private school, it would have been immediately demolished. Even though they charge exorbitant fees from students, private schools maintain infrastructure. This school, like all government work, has its own pace," a source told BM.

According to the staff, the school has tremendous potential to be developed into a bustling educational hub in the area.

"At present, we have close to 300 students. With good infrastructure and qualified faculty, we can increase the strength of students and run a degree college too," the source added.

BBMP officials, meanwhile, said the building is set to be demolished and action will be taken soon. "We have received permission for the construction of a new building; funds have been released. Around Rs 7-8 crore has been earmarked," said Munishamappa, assistant education officer, BBMP (east zone).

BBMP assistant commissioner (education) DS Umesh told BM that the detailed project report for the new building is being prepared. "The work will start after the finalisation of DPR. I will look into this case," he told BM.

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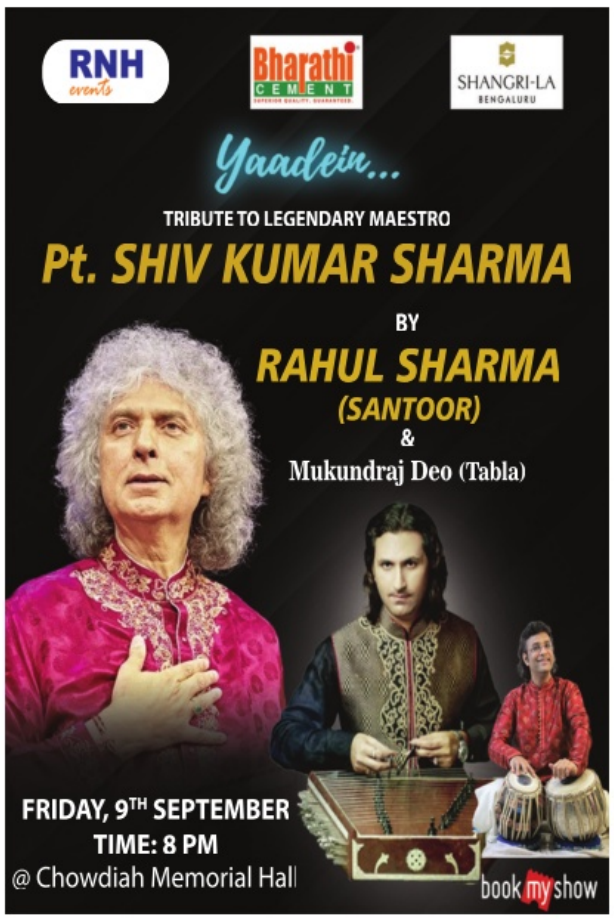

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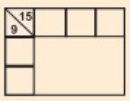
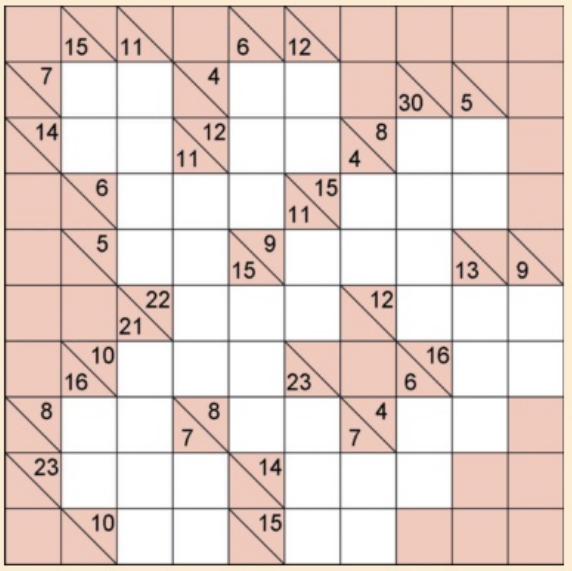
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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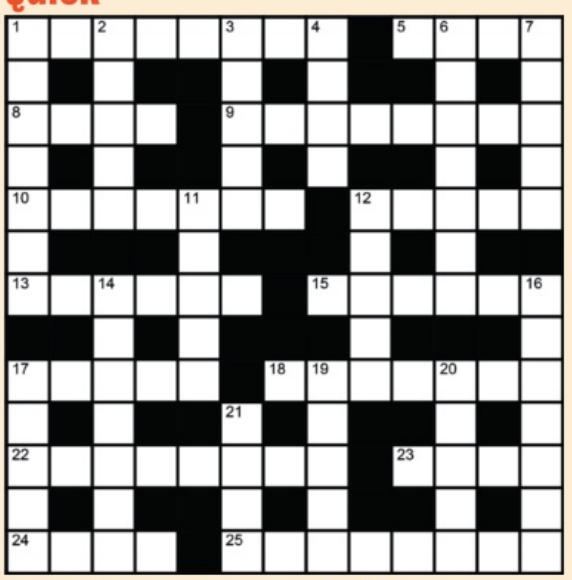


ACROSS

1 A sharp, slender piece of wood, metal or glass (8)
5 Forewarning (4)
8 Republic of Ireland (4)
9 Tamed (of a horse) (6,2)
10 Transform, modernise or change (7)
12 Vacant (5)
13 Kept out of sight (6)
15 Online pests (6)
17 Wishes for or trusts? (5)
18 Species of sequoia (7)
22 Repudiate; disown (8)
23 German canal (4)
24 Observes narrowly (4)
25 Suppliers of food (8)

DOWN

1 Printing aid (7)
2 Oscar winner Sophia (5)
3 Potato, or Jerusalem artichoke (5)
4 Chess castle (4)
6 Hospital on Airport road (7)
7 ___ Sinatra : Frank's daughter? (5)
11 Large pitchers (5)
12 Folded a page corner (5)
14 Quick reply (7)
16 Seats on horses (7)
17 Barrier of bushes (5)
19 Ant (5)
20 Sheep-like (5)
21 A layman, not of the clergy (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: O EQUALS P

PXDEHXB LQEWUB, QJYELB.
OKHONK LQKRBKNSKB WKSKD
GWKZ LQKA QJI LQKR.

Linemaro

Do save the last dance for me

Mindchow

Insanity is doing the same thing, over and over again, but expecting different results

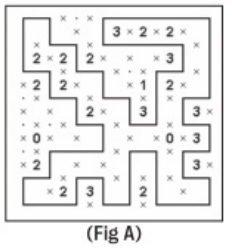
Joke of the day

Terminal illness: Getting sick at the airport

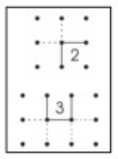
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

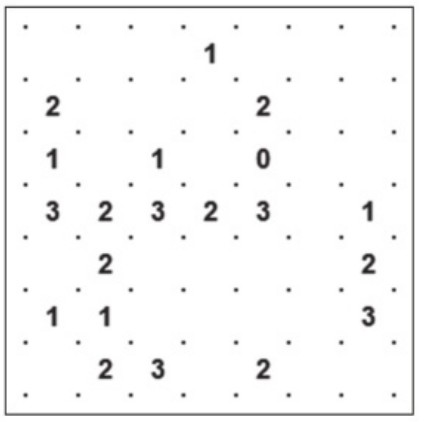


(Fig B) Not Allowed

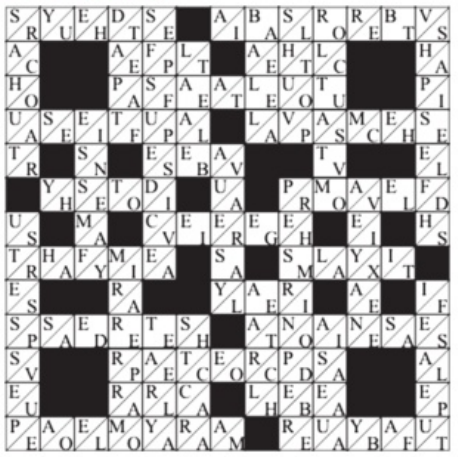
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



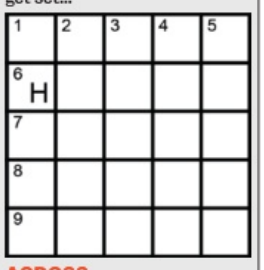
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

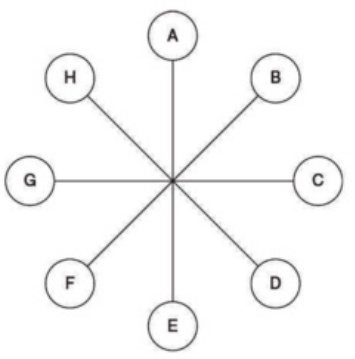
1 A sect; 6 He dew;
7 Cig in; 8 Risen;
9 Gaped

DOWN

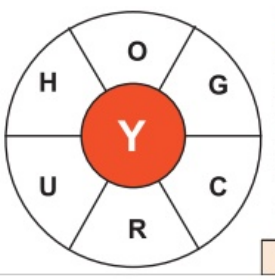
1 R chip; 2 Ace I a;
3 Wings; 4 Teens;
5 Ed deg

Mensapuzzle

What letter is two letters away clockwise from the letter that is directly opposite the letter three letters away anti clockwise from the letter C?



Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

03 Average; 04 Good; 05 Outstanding

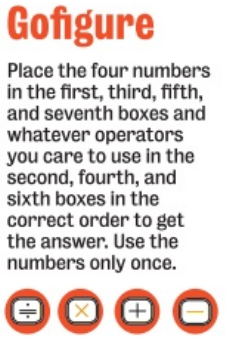
SudokuChallenge

	5	8	2		3	6	1	
		6				7		
	4			7			5	
		2	4	8	6	9		
		7	3	1	9	4		
	7			4			2	
		9				8		
	6	5	7		2	1	4	

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

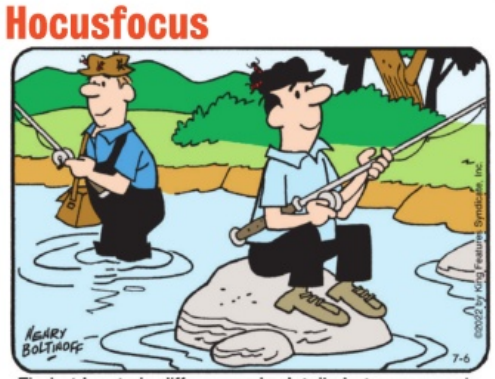


Easy = 28
5 7 7 9

Medium = 5
1 7 8 9

Hard = 4
4 4 7 4

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Foot is moved. 2. Tree is moved. 3. Rock is moved. 4. Mountain is different. 5. Ear is larger. 6. Fingers are different.

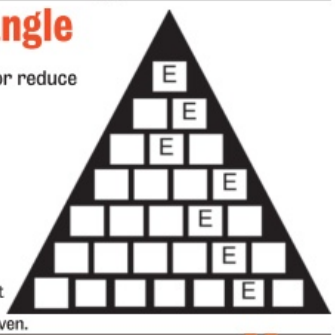
Riddler

You are in a room with 2 doors leading out. Behind 1 door is a coffer overflowing with jewels and gold, along with an exit. Behind the other door is an enormous, hungry lion that will pounce on anyone opening the door. You do not know which door leads to the treasure and exit, and which door leads to the lion. In the room you are in are 2 individuals. The first is a knight, who always tells the truth, and a knave, who always lies. Both of these individuals know what is behind each door. You do not know which individual is the knight, or which one is the knave. You may ask one of the individuals exactly 1 question. What should you ask in order to be certain that you will open the door with the coffer behind it, instead of the hungry lion?

Alpha triangle

1 Second vowel
2 Prefix for remove or reduce
3 Eye colour?
4 Grim
5 Cooked in oil
6 Vary
7 Crazier, more silly

Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.



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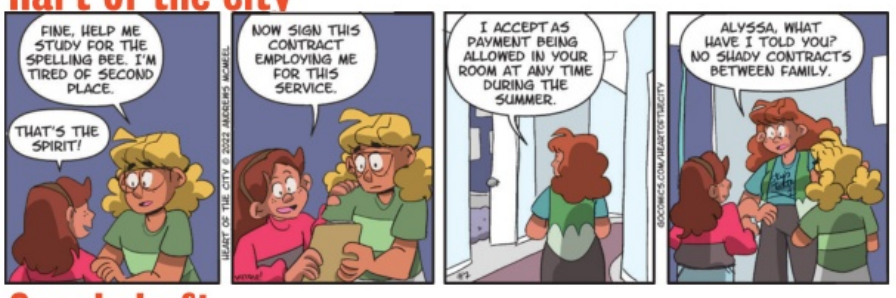
Diamond Lil

Hart of the city



Crankshaft

Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today situations are under control and you will feel healthy. You may travel abroad soon. Your network may help you on the work front. Some increase in the domestic harmony will be spotted. You can plan to go out with friends and family.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
In the starting of the week, you may expect financial gains. You will strike a balance between your earnings and expenses, which will boost your bank balance. You will likely perform better at your job. Your boss will give you new responsibilities in terms of promotions.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today you may plan to renovate your house as you are feeling more creative. You may buy some items to decorate your house. Expect happy moments with your loved one. It will create harmony in your domestic life. Disputes with friends, co-workers, and partners may be okay now. You may get good news in terms of litigation.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today you are blessed by the positive moon. You may feel healthy and old health issues may be cured now. There may be financial gains today. You may also apply for a loan for buying some items related to luxury. You can plan for adventure tourism.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today you are blessed by Jupiter, which may give you confidence. You may be able to make important decisions confidently. You are decisive and will grab an opportunity without a second thought. You may spend money on family and friends. Lovebirds may enjoy happy moments. Job aspirants are likely to get a suitable job with the help of friends.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you may feel dull. You may not enjoy your day. You may be a victim of conspiracy if you are not careful. It may affect both your professional and domestic life. You may internally feel a lack of confidence, which may stop you from doing something creative at work.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you may feel energetic. you may perform efficiently at work. Your hard work may pay you now. This may boost your confidence. Property-related disputes with siblings are likely to be resolved now. Your meeting with an influential person may boost your network. Students will do well.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today you are blessed by the moon, which makes you happy. You are likely to get a big order with the help of your communication skills. Your social skills will help boost your network. Your colleagues will help you excel at a task given to you.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you are blessed by an auspicious planetary combination and it is a good day for you. You have good vitality and may enjoy it at work. Expect happy times with loved ones and a better domestic life. You are likely to make new plans to start a new project. Love birds are advised to avoid discussions on worthless topics.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you may be disappointed with some things, but it is important to remember that setbacks are temporary. You are advised to control your arrogance, otherwise you may face some losses due to your way of speaking. Lovebirds should be careful in their discussion.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today you may have peace of mind. You may plan to invest some capital in business, which may increase liquidity. Your earnings may boost your financial health. You may enjoy romantic moments with your spouse, which may enhance harmony in the family life. Singles are likely to find a suitable match. Lovebirds can get married.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you may be very happy as your losses convert to profits. Your seniors may be happy and will appreciate your good work. You are likely to have some changes in your position at work in terms of promotions. Your opponents and hidden enemies may be under control now.

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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
√/24:6*1/25^2-1/10^2
= √/2^2*1/25^2*10^2
= 2*1/625*100
= 2*1/625*4
= 8/25
= 0.32

BULL'S EYE
gory, GROUCHY, gyro, orgy, your

STRIKE OUT

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QUICK

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MENSA PUZZLE
F

RIDDLER
You ask one of the individuals what the other one would say if you asked him which door is holding back the hungry lion and then open this door.

SUDOKU

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9	4	3	6	7	1	2	5	8
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6	9	4	5	2	7	3	8	1
5	8	7	3	1	9	4	6	2
3	7	1	9	4	8	5	2	6
4	2	9	1	6	5	8	3	7
8	6	5	7	3	2	1	4	9

ALPHA TRIANGLE
E, DE, Red, Dire, Fried, Differ, Daffier.

GO FIGURE
Easy
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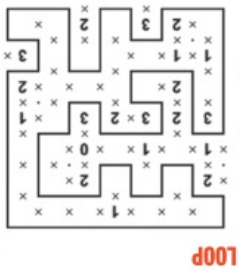
Medium
7 – 9 + 8 – 1 = 5
Hard
4 + 4 – 7 x 4 = 4

LOOP



KAKURO

FAST FIVE

C	A	S	T	E
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I	C	I	N	G
H	E	W	E	D
P	A	G	E	D

QUOTE UNCODE
Curious things, habits. People themselves never knew they had them.

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Tilda for Ukraine— Oscar-winning British actress Tilda Swinton made a statement at the Venice Film Festival with her hair dyed yellow, reports 'Variety'. "It's my honor to wear half of the Ukrainian flag," Swinton said at a press conference

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The thrill is gone

5 most short-lived romances of B-Town

Bollywood is not just about on-screen romance, but there's a lot brewing behind the camera too. From co-stars in love to fast moving flings, B-Town is packed with hopeless romantics. While the internet is abuzz with Sushmita Sen and Lalit Modi's break up, take a look at all the short-lived romances of Bollywood.

Sushmita Sen and Lalit Modi

This couple took the internet by storm with Lalit Modi confessing his love for his gorgeous 'better half'. He left the internet mystified with a series of pictures from their secret getaway in Italy and Sushmita also defended their romance by slamming all those calling her a 'gold differ'. A few months later, Sushmita's name has disappeared from Lalit Modi's Instagram bio and the businessman has also removed their loved-up selfie from his display picture. Speculations are rife that this romance has ended in just a few months.

Sara Ali Khan and Kartik Aaryan

Karan Johar had confirmed on his show that Sara Ali Khan and Kartik Aaryan were in a relationship. It all began after Sara confessed that she wants to date the actor. 'Love Aaj Kal' happened on and offscreen for this couple, who quickly parted ways even before their film could hit the screens! Like true professionals, Sara and Kartik reunited for the film's promotions but their electrifying chemistry was missing, just like in the films.

Alia Bhatt and Sidharth Malhotra

These two started off in the industry together in 2012 with 'Student of the Year'. Onscreen love flowed beyond the camera and Alia-Sidharth became the hottest couple in B-Town then. Their romance continued with 'Kapoor and Sons' but it all ended with Alia and Sidharth finding love elsewhere. These newbies lasted as a couple for a few years.

Janhvi Kapoor and Ishaan Khatter

Janhvi Kapoor marked a promising debut in Bollywood opposite Ishaan Khatter in 'Dhadak'. Their onscreen chemistry was shipped by fans and behind the camera love was blossoming between the two Gen Z actors. The film released, was celebrated and done... the two ambitious actors went their own ways for reasons best known to them.

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Aishwarya Rai and Vivek Oberoi

Having parted ways from Salman Khan, Aishwarya Rai found love in her 'Kyun! Ho Gaya Na...' co-star Vivek Oberoi. The inseparable couple made numerous public appearances and it looked all very mushy. However, the couple soon parted ways and rumours suggest that Vivek's press conference leveling allegations against Aishwarya's ex Salman, landed their romance in trouble.

SANDALWOOD SHOTS

Y MAHESWARA REDDY

Cinematographer is now distributor

Cinematographer PVR Swamy who began his career with a Tamil movie Ariyamai in 2015 is now venturing into film distribution. "After the Tamil movie, I worked as a cinematographer for Kannada movies Reservation and Silver Lotus directed by Nikhil Manju. Till date, I have worked for around 40 Kannada movies and Tulu movies," said Swamy.

Swamy then ventured into direction. He debuted as a director with Kannada movie Andolana. "I directed three Kannada movies Andolana, Rajatantra and Mariyade. Rajatantra was released in January 2021 and completed three weeks of screening," said Swamy.

Now, he has selected Kannada movie Riya for distribution across Karnataka. "I decided to distribute this movie after watching it. It has a very interesting story. Though most of the actors are newcomers, their acting is like experienced actors. Riya belongs to the horror genre," he said.

School of films

Veteran director S Narayan is known for punctuality and dedication. If you want to pick acting chops from the man himself, head to the Kala Samrat Film Academy at Nagarabhavi 2nd Phase. The academy was started by Narayan's son Pawan in Bengaluru on Monday. Apart from acting in around 10 movies, Pawan, directed Navami 9.9.1999 in which his father too played a key role. Pawan told us why he started the academy. "Many aspiring actors and technicians used to call my father and me during the lockdown to undergo training in subjects related to film making. So, we opened the Academy, that has people active in the Kannada film industry as teaching staffers," said Pawan.

Director Narayan recalled his 3-year struggle in Chennai before getting a chance to work as an assistant under a director. "I used to wander without slippers on the streets of Chennai in the sun. No director called me to their home, but director HR Bhargava did. I will never forget his generosity in allowing me to work as an assistant for him."